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Signed November 22, 2021

United States Bankruptcy Judge

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

In re:	§ §	Chapter 11
HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.,1	§ §	Case No. 19-34054-sgj11
Reorganized Debtor.	§	

## ORDER GRANTING HAYWARD PLLC'S FINAL APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 10, 2019 THROUGH AUGUST 11, 2021

The Court conducted a hearing on November 17, 2021 (the "Hearing") to consider the final application [Docket No. 2910] ("Final Application")<sup>2</sup> of Hayward PLLC, f/k/a Hayward & Associates, PLLC (the "Firm"), for final allowance of compensation for professional services rendered as local counsel to the Debtor in the above-captioned case during the period from

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Reorganized Debtor's last four digits of its taxpayer identification number are (6725). The headquarters and service address for the above-captioned Reorganized Debtor is 100 Crescent Court, Suite 1850, Dallas, TX 75201.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Final Application.

October 19, 2019 through August 11, 2021 (the "Final Compensation Period"). The Court has reviewed the Final Application and finds that: (a) the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; (b) notice of the Final Application and the Hearing were adequate under the circumstances and the Order (i) Confirming the Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization (as Modified) and (ii) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 1943] with respect to the Debtor's Fifth Amended Plan of Reorganization of Highland Capital Management, L.P. [Docket No. 1808]; and (c) all persons with standing have been afforded the opportunity to be heard on the Final Application. The Court has also reviewed and considered (i) the Omnibus Objection and Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Creditor and Party in Interest under 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b), Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2016 to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 2977] filed by NexPoint Advisors, L.P.; (ii) the Reply of Debtor Professionals to Omnibus Objection of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 2988]; (iii) the Supplemental Omnibus Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., Creditor and Party in Interest under 11 U.S.C. § 1109(b), Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a) and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2016 to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 3015]; (iv) the Supplemental Reply of Debtor Professionals to Supplemental Omnibus Response of NexPoint Advisors, L.P., to Final Fee Applications Submitted by Various Estate Professionals [Docket No. 3020]; (v) the documents identified on the Reorganized Debtor's Witness and Exhibit List with Respect to Hearing on Final Fee Applications to Be Held on

*November 17*, 2021 [Docket No. 3017]; and (vi) the arguments of the parties and evidence submitted at the Hearing.

In addition to the findings of fact and conclusions of law set forth on the record at the Hearing, the Court has considered the nature, the extent, and the value of the services set forth in the Final Application, and has taken into account all relevant factors, including the factors set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3)(A) through (F), *Johnson v. Georgia Highway Express, Inc.*, 488 F.2d 714 (5th Cir. 1974), and applicable law, and finds that the fees requested in the Final Application constitute reasonable compensation for actual, necessary, services rendered by the Firm on behalf of the Debtor pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1)(A); the expenses requested in the Final Application constitute actual, necessary expenses pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1)(B); and that all objections to the Final Application are overruled for the reasons set forth on the record of the Hearing.

## Accordingly, it is **HEREBY ORDERED THAT**:

- 1. The Firm is granted final allowance of compensation in the amount of \$825,629.50 for the Final Compensation Period.
- 2. The Firm is granted final allowance of reimbursement for expenses incurred in the amount of \$46,482.92 for the Final Compensation Period.
- 3. The Debtor is authorized and directed to remit payment to the Firm of such final allowed compensation and expense reimbursement amounts totaling \$872,112.42, less any and all amounts previously paid on account of such fees and expenses.
- 4. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

###END OF ORDER###